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CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN CHEMCIAL INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of annual amount spent on Research and Development by the Chemical Industry;

(b) whether due attention has been paid towards the Research and Development in the Industry;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the specific steps being taken by the Government to make this Industry competitive in the international market?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) to (d): According to industry estimates, the expenditure incurred by the Indian Chemical Industry on R&D as a proportion of the total turnover is less than the expenditure being incurred in some of the developed countries. However, the Indian chemical industry is competing successfully in the international market and its exports have been growing.